



# MANITOBA ORDER IN COUNCIL

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DATE: **March 18, 2026**

ORDER IN COUNCIL NO.: **52/2026**

RECOMMENDED BY: **Minister of Innovation and New Technology**

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## ORDER

1. Adam Herstein is appointed as a director and chair of the board of directors of Research Manitoba (the "Board"), for a term of office that begins on March 18, 2026, and expires on March 17, 2029, or the date that their successor is appointed, unless their appointment is revoked before March 17, 2029.
2. Dr. Alain Beaudry, Kerry Harris, Martin Scanlon, Gautam Srivastava, and Joelle Foster are appointed as directors of the Board, each for a term of office that begins on March 18, 2026, and expires on March 17, 2029, or the date that their respective successors are appointed, unless their respective appointments are revoked before March 17, 2029.
3. Andrea Legary and Erin Romeo are re-appointed as directors of the Board for a term of office that begins on March 18, 2026, and expires on March 17, 2028, or the date that their successors are appointed, unless their respective appointments are revoked before March 17, 2028.
4. Dr. Brian Mario Pinto is re-appointed as a director of the Board, for a term of office that begins on April 5, 2026, and expires on April 4, 2028, or the date that their successor is appointed, unless their appointment is revoked before April 4, 2028.
5. The appointments of Dr. Hani El-Gabalawy, Luis Escobar, Jason Leibert, Dr. Athar Ata and Dr. Peter Nickerson are revoked.
6. The appointment of Dr. Sri Navaratnam is revoked on April 4, 2026.
7. This Order comes into effect on the date that it is made.

## AUTHORITY

*The Research Manitoba Act, C.C.S.M. c. R118, states:*

### **Board**

**5(1)** The business and affairs of Research Manitoba are to be managed by a board of directors consisting of at least 9 but not more than 17 directors.

### **Appointments**

**5(2)** The directors are to be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council on the recommendation of the minister.

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### **Chair**

**6(1)** The chair of the board is to be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

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### **Term of office — chair**

**7(1)** The chair is to be appointed for a term of not more than five years.

### **Term of office – other directors**

**7(2)** A director other than the chair is to be appointed for a term not exceeding three years.

### **Terms to be staggered**

**7(3)** When appointing a director and establishing the director's term of office, the Lieutenant Governor in Council is to have regard for the need to ensure that the terms of office of not more than half of the board members expire in any one year.

**Further terms**

**7(4)** A director, including the chair, is eligible to be re-appointed, but

- (a) a director may not serve more than 10 years in consecutive terms if the director serves as chair during any of the terms; and
- (b) a director may not serve more than six years in consecutive terms if the director does not serve as chair during any of the terms.

After serving the number of consecutive years specified in clause (a) or (b), a person may not be re-appointed as a director until at least one year has elapsed since the person last served.

**Appointment continues**

**7(5)** A director continues to hold office until he or she is re-appointed, the appointment is revoked or a successor is appointed.

**BACKGROUND**

1. Andrea Legary was appointed as a director of the Board by Order in Council 93/2019, designated as chair of the Board by Order in Council 293/2020, and re-appointed by Order in Council 189/2022 for a term that expired on April 26, 2025. They are being re-appointed.
2. Erin Romeo was appointed as a director of the Board by Order in Council 189/2022 for a term that expired on April 26, 2025. They are being re-appointed.
3. Dr. Brian Mario Pinto was appointed as a director of the Board by Order in Council 101/2023 for a term that expires on April 4, 2026. They are being re-appointed.
4. Dr. Sri Navaratnam was appointed as a director of the Board by Order in Council 101/2023 for a term that expires on April 4, 2026. Their appointment is revoked on April 4, 2026.
5. Dr. Hani El-Gabalawy and Luis Escobar were each appointed as directors of the Board by Order in Council 93/2019, re-appointed by Order in Council 189/2022, and re-appointed by Order in Council 101/2023 for a term that expired on March 18, 2025. Their appointments are revoked, and Dr. Alain Beaudry and Kerry Harris are their successors respectively.
6. Dr. Peter Nickerson and Jason Leibert were each appointed as directors of the Board by Order in Council 189/2022 for a term that expired on April 26, 2025. Their appointments are revoked.
7. Dr. Athar Ata was appointed as a director of the Board by Order in Council 91/2021, and re-appointed by Order in Council 122/2024 for a term that expires on March 16, 2027. Their appointment is revoked.
8. As of April 5, 2026, the directors of the Board will be:

<u>Directors</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Adam Herstein (Chair)	March 17, 2029
Dr. Alain Beaudry	March 17, 2029
Kerry Harris	March 17, 2029
Martin Scanlon	March 17, 2029
Gautam Srivastava	March 17, 2029
Joelle Foster	March 17, 2029
Andrea Legary	March 17, 2028
Erin Romeo	March 17, 2028
Dr. Brian Mario Pinto	April 4, 2028
Lucy Fowler	June 26, 2027
Wayne Kelly	June 26, 2027
Angie Bruce	June 26, 2027
Gursharn Wander	July 23, 2027
Poonam Singh	July 23, 2027